

*Joksch dossier*

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3. On 8 February 1947 [ ] met [ ] intended to present him to Ferdinand JOKSCH, a former Gestapo personality specializing in Church affairs, now employed by the R.I.S. in Vienna. JOKSCH did not keep this appointment and [ ] disclosed that JOKSCH had been a Criminal Police employee for many years and that after the Anschluss he had been transferred from the KRIPO to the Gestapo where he first worked in the Foreign Consular Personality Observation Section, then in the Anti-Communist Section and finally in Referat IVa which dealt with Church affairs.

[ ] remarked that JOKSCH was arrested and held for 5 weeks by the Russians shortly after Vienna was liberated and was then recruited by the R.I.S. to work on Church matters. [ ] stated that he knows JOKSCH is anti-Communist and feels sure that JOKSCH will be willing to work for this Unit. [ ] believes that JOKSCH could be of value in penetration of foreign consulates.

4. On 12 February 1947 [ ] introduced Ferdinand JOKSCH to [ ] JOKSCH reported that he has been working under compulsion for the RIS for about one and one half years providing information on church affairs. JOKSCH stated that he was completely Westwardly oriented but was unable to avoid cooperating with the R.I.S. since they knew of his Gestapo record and offered him freedom from jail as compensation for his work. [ ] arranged for a meeting with JOKSCH on Friday, 14 February and instructed him to provide a report of the service he has rendered for the R.I.S., a complete report of his relationship to date with the R.I.S., and an outline on the scope of his future usefulness and potential production for this Unit. In compensation for JOKSCH's future work for ~~this~~ Unit, [ ] agreed to forestall JOKSCH's pending arrest by CIC (Note: a. [ ] used the ruse of CIC arrest as means of persuasion. B. JOKSCH

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appeared to be a timid individual, of average intelligence, reasonably sincere and honest; he may be able to give us some kind of a picture of RIS aims in the ecclesiastical field.

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